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The School of Law.

DAVID DEMAREE BANTA, LL. D. . . . Dean.

WILLIAM PERRY ROGERS, LL. B. . . . Professor.

YELL: *Hoorah! Hoorah!*

I. U. Law!

Banta! Rogers!

Rah! Rah! Rah!

The Indiana University School of Law is the oldest institution of its kind in the West. It was established by an act of the Legislature in 1838, and formally opened about 1841. The first Dean was the Hon. David McDonald, a resident of Bloomington and Judge of the Circuit Court. The success of the enterprise having exceeded all expectations, an assistant professor, Hon. W. T. Otto, was elected in 1847, and in 1850 the first diplomas were issued instead of certificates of graduation.


Judge Otto resigned in 1851, and Judge McDonald in 1853. The Hon. James Hughes succeeded these men, and held the office two years, when he obtained leave of absence to take his seat in Congress. During his absence,

his place was filled by Judge A. B. Carlton. On the resignation of Judge Hughes in 1857, Col. R. M. Bryant was elected Dean, and held the position until 1861, when he resigned to take a position in the army. Judge George A. Bicknell succeeded Col. Bryant, and continued in office until 1870; during the last year of his professorship he was assisted by John N. Petit, who served one year.


Following these men, Samuel E. Perkins, of Indianapolis, for a long time Judge of the Supreme Court, held the office of Dean until 1872, and Bascom E. Rhodes held the Associate Professorship until the close of the school in 1877. Judge Perkins was succeeded by Judge Delana Eckels, the Hon. D. W. LaFollette, and C. W. McNutt, who in turn held the office of Dean until 1877, when legislative action cut down the salaries to such an extent that competent professors could no longer be secured. At its close the Law School was in a flourishing condition. Forty-one students were in attendance, and up to that time three hundred and sixty-two students had graduated. The tuition had been made free, and the course of study had been lengthened to two years of three terms each.

In June, 1889, provisions were at last made for re-opening the school, and the Hon. David D. Banta, of Franklin, was elected Dean. Judge Banta is a graduate of both the Law and the Literary Departments of Indiana University, and has served for six years as Judge of the Sixteenth Judicial District. Ernest W. Huffcut, now at Cornell, was Professor of the new Law School for the first two years.

He was succeeded by John A. Couch, who remained but a few months. W. P. Rogers, the present professor, has filled the position since 1893. Under the management of these worthy men, the Law School has had a steady and healthy growth. The attendance is larger than ever before ; the training given is eminently practical, and excellently prepares its graduates for practice in the courts of Indiana.



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Of law there can be no less acknowledged than that her seat is the bosom of God, her voice the harmony of the world; all things in heaven and earth do her homage, the very least as feeling her care, and the greatest as not exempted from her power.

—*Hooker.*

Banta—"There's nothing ill can dwell in such a temple."

—*Shakespeare.*

Odle—"I am a tainted wether of the flock."

—*Shakespeare.*

Mrs. Kelly—"You speak well, lady, a sign of fruitful education."

—*Fletcher.*

Mrs. Van Nüys—"I'll not budge an inch."

—*Shakespeare.*

Adank—"I would to God thou and I knew where a commodity of good names were to be bought.

—*Shakespeare.*

Gebauer—"Brain him with his lady's fan."

—*Shakespeare.*

Holmes—"A great shooter—with his mouth."

Prince—"A deal of skimble-skamble stuff."

—*Shakespeare.*

Gass—"A handsome man, a speaker and a spark,
He aims at nothing and he hits his mark."

—*Shakespeare.*

Kurrie—"So wise, so young, they say do never live long."

—*Shakespeare.*

Fortune—"He was a man of an unbounded stomach."

—*Shakespeare.*

Davis—"His life was gentle, and the elements so mixed in
him that nature might stand up and say to all the
world, 'This was a man.'"

—*Shakespeare.*

Geiger—"Yet do I fear thy nature; it is too full of the
milk of human kindness."

—*Shakespeare.*

Utter—"Mend your speech a little, lest it may mar your
fortunes."

—*Shakespeare.*

Cailor—"I have immortal longings in me."

—*Shakespeare.*

Miss Weathers—"Is she not passing fair?"

—*Shakespeare.*

Stout—"He draweth out the thread of his verbosity finer
than the staple of his argument."

—*G. Verdict.*

Traylor, Crook—"Two lovely berries moulded on one
stem."

—*Shakespeare.*

Rheuby—"Most radiant, exquisite, unmatchable beauty."

—*Shakespeare.*

Espenschild—"I can not tell what the Dickens his name is."

—*Shakespeare.*



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